MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (d). During the remaining period of the Seventh Five Year Plan, the National Thermal Power Corporation expect to commission an additional capacity of 2334 MW, as under:—

Sl. No.	Project	Project Cost (Rs. in crores)	Location	Additional Capacity (MW)
1.	Rihand Super Thermal Power Project	1033.00	Uttar Pardesh	500
2.	Korba Super Thermal Power Project	985.60	Madhya Pradesh	500
3.	Vindhyachal Super Thermal Power Project	911.57	Madhya Pradesh	210
4.	Ramagundam Super Thermal Power Project	1381.41	Andhra Pradesh	500
5.	Auraiya Gas-based Project	371.67	Uttar Pradesh	448
6.	Anta Gas-based Project	265.03	Rajasthan	176

Targets for Power Generation

645. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the demand for power has been increasing in every sector;

(b) if so, whether Government have drawn up any plan to increase power generation during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what is the Seventh Plan target set for power generation and what are the achievements made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) and (c). It is tentatively proposed to create an additional generation capacity of around 38,000 MW during the Eighth Plan period. In addition, a renovation and modernisation programme of thermal stations is under various stages of implementation in order to increase their efficiency. A scheme for uprating and modernisation of hydro stations has also been drawn up for implementation.

(d) The target for the additional generation capacity in the Seventh Plan period is 22,245 MW which is likely to be fully achieved. A capacity of 14223.75 MW has been commissioned till January, 1989.

Clearance of Uttar Pradesh Petrochemical Unit

646. DR. R. K. PODDAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since cleared the Uttar Pradesh Petrochemical Unit to be set up in Auriya; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the project?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Setting up of an expert group to study restructuring of State Electricity Boards

647. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government